affected weaver families of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the detailf thereof alongwith the source of handing over?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In response to an appeal issued by the National Commission for Women in the Hindustan Times on 24th November, 1996, donations amounting to Rs. 9824 have been received so far.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Improvement in the Disaster Management plan for Maharashtra

3066. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have advised the State Government of Maharashtra to update and improve its Disaster Management Plan for the State;

(b) if so, the reaction of the State Government thereto;

(c) whether State Government have submitted any improved plan for the consideration of the Government;

(d) if so, the salient features of the plan;

(e) whether the relief, repairs, restoration and rehabilitation works have since been completed in the State after the recent floods in the State; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, and if not, by when these are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) to (d) Government of Maharashtra has undertaken to prepare a Disaster Management Plan for the State as an activity under the Maharashtra Emergency Earthquake Rehabilitation Project. The Plan, with emphasis on disaster response, awareness and education, will identify technical, administrative and legal measures to mitigate the impact of disasters.

(e) and (f) Nd instance of a major flood has occurred in Maharashtra during the current year. The State Govenment has informed that necessary relief and rehabilitation measures have been taken in the limited areas affected by floods.

Technical Anomoly on Tenali-Nellore Rail Track

(a) 3067. SHRI YEERA NARAYANASWAMY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS pleased to state :

(a) whether there is some technical anomoly on the rail track between Tenali and Nellore at Singarayakonda in South Central Railways;

(b) whether it is a fact that track breachs and traffic disruption usually occur at Singarayakonda on this sector;

(c) whether any effort has been made to study and rectify this defect; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHRAJ) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Low Average Yield of Crops in Gujarat

SHRI AHMED PATEL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the average yield of crops in Gujarat is the lowest in comparison to other States;

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) whether unirrigated land in the State is the main reason for this; and

(d) if so, the remedial measures Government propose to take in the this regard?